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SUBJECT: WOUNDED NEWSMEN

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1. EMBOFF VISITED NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL; TALKED WITH BBC'S MORRIS (ONLY ONE CONSCIOUS). ACCORDING MORRIS, THREE WERE PROCEEDING TOWARDS LAPITHOS FROM DIRECTION MYRTOU WHEN VEHICLE STRUCK LAND MINE IN GREEK RPT GREEK CONTROLLED AREA (MORRIS THINKS TWO LAND MINES EXPLODED).

2. DOCTOR BRIEFING PRESS IN DOWNSTAIRS LOBBY INSISTS WOUNDS RESULTED TURKISH FIRE. ADVISED MORRIS INFO PARA 1, DOCTOR CHANGED STORY TO TURKS FIRED ON THREE NEWSMEN AFTER LAND MINE EXPLODED. IMPOSSIBLE CONFIRM PRECISELY WHAT HAPPENED.

3. NEWSMEN WERE EVACUATED BY NATIONAL GUARD TO NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL. NEW YORK TIMES CHRISTODOULIDES MOST SERIOUSLY INJURED. HAS STOMACH WOUND WITH PERFORATIONS ABDOMEN; HAS BEEN OPERATED ON; ALL HOLES CLOSED. DOCTOR
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WHO OPERATED SAID "HE HOPES CHRISTODOULIDES WILL BE ALL

RIGHT." SAID CONDITION SERIOUS NOT RPT NOT CRITICAL.

4. BBC'S MORRIS WOUNDED LEFT SHOULDER; SOME DAMAGE TO NERVES.

5. AP'S ROQUE HAS COMPOUND FRACTURE ARM AND NOSE; THIGH WOUND. ALSO HAS MANY SUPERFICIAL CUTS. DOCTOR SAID IT POSSIBLE HE MAY LOSE EYE.

6. WILL VISIT CHRISTODOULIDES AND ROQUE WHEN POSSIBLE.
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